

## GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

### ABSTRACT

YAT&C Department – Department of Culture – Pensions to Old Aged Artists – Guidelines for distribution of Pensions - Orders – Issued

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YOUTH ADVANCEMENT, TOURISM AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS (CA) DEPARTMENT

**GO Ms No. 34**

**Dated:14-5-2010**

READ:

GO. Rt. No.349, YAT&C (CA) Dept, dated 31.3.2009.

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### ORDER:

In the GO read above orders have been issued sanctioning pension to old aged artists in the State at Rs.500/- (Rupees five hundreds only) per month to each eligible artist as a measure of financial assistance in token of gratitude to their services rendered to the cause of different arts of the State. As such, 10,000 old aged artists are benefitted by the scheme and their pensions are distributed through District Public Relation Officers regularly, till now.

Government have found that there have been some difficulties and delays in the disbursement of these pensions every month in the present method of distribution. With a view to regulate the system to see that the aim of the Government to take care of the aged artists, who are the symbols of the Telugu culture and heritage, is achieved fruitfully by distributing these pensions to the eligible old aged artists every month on par with other pensioners in the State such as Agricultural labour pension, old age pension, physically handicapped pension etc, Government have stipulated the following guidelines:

- 1) The Joint Collector-II in the District shall take necessary steps for implementing the scheme;
- 2) '0' Balance and No-frills account will be opened in any SBI Branch in the State by the Pensioners, who are not having the accounts in the SBI;
- 3) The Manager, SBI, Film Nagar Branch, Hyderabad will open the '0' Balance Accounts for all Pensioners in the State at Hyderabad itself and the same can be transferred to the nearest SBI Branches, if needed;
- 4) Life Certificates will be insisted once in a year in the month of December and the Certificates can be issued by the Head Master of the Government Schools in the village or Panchayat Secretary or Sarpanch, VAO who has jurisdiction of the village, wherein the pensioner resides or by the Corporators, Gazetted Officers, Municipal Commissioners in the Urban areas;
- 5) The services of NGOs like Zio Sansar can be used for opening the accounts;

- 6) The Director of Culture, Hyderabad who is the Nodal Officer, shall obtain the correct lists of pensioners from the concerned District Public Relation Officers by writing to the District Collectors by 10.6.2010;
- 7) This scheme of distribution of pensions to the old aged artists will be effective from 1.7.2010.

The Director of Culture, AP, Hyderabad shall take immediate necessary action in the matter.

This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (BG.II) Department, vide their UO No.2373/309/BG.II/10, dated 21.4.2010.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr S Chellappa  
Principal Secretary to Government

To  
The Director of Culture,  
AP, Hyderabad.

All District Collectors.

Copy to: The Commissioner, Information & Public Relations, AP, Hyderabad.  
All District Public Relation Officers  
All District Treasury Officer  
The Pay & Accounts Officer, AP, Hyderabad.  
The Accountant-General, AP, Hyderabad.  
The Finance (Expr.GAD-II) Department  
The Finance (BG.II) Department.

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